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Dear Mr. <sup>Ray</sup>Basso:

Attached please find the forth quarterly report submitted in accordance with the EPA/DEPE enforcement lead Superfund site Pilot Agreement. The reports are submitted on the New Jersey lead sites L. E. Carpenter, Wharton Borough and Hercules Incorporated, Gibbstown. Both reports are dated December, 1993 and are reflective of the activities that have take place up to that time. The next report will be submitted in March 1994.

Please contact me directly with questions at (609) 633-1455.

Sincerely,

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L. E. Carpenter Site  
Wharton Borough, Morris County  
Quarterly Progress Report  
December 1993

The following is an update on the progress of the L. E. Carpenter Site pursuant to the EPA/State Pilot Agreement dated December 9, 1992.

A revised, but not projected, Feasibility Study (FS) was submitted and approved by the NJDEPE (Department) in September of 1993. The revised Final FS addressed the issues regarding discharge of treated ground water which was discussed in the June 1993 quarterly report.

The draft Proposed Plan has been reviewed by USEPA as memorialized in a comment letter dated November 3, 1993. These comments have been addressed as confirmed in a telephone conversation between the State Case Manager and Federal RPM. See also letter dated November 29, 1993 to USEPA from the Department confirming conversation.

A Public Meeting was held on December 8, 1993. Public Comment period began on December 1, 1993 and ended on December 31, 1993. Public comment has been minimal. The Record of Decision is presently being drafted and is expected to be finalized by February 1994.

Activities Scheduled for December 1, 1993 through February 28, 1994:

- I. Hold Public Meeting (Complete)
- II. Address all Public comments through written response (Currently underway)
- III. Draft ROD (subject to length of public comment period & currently underway)
- IV. Finalize ROD